

## ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

### Completion of Resettlement Compensation

Evolution Energy Minerals Limited (Evolution or the Company) (ASX: EV1, FSE: P77) is pleased to announce that it has completed the final cash compensation payment to Project Affected Persons (PAPs) under the Resettlement Action Plan (RAP).

In order to ensure that the compensation payments have the best prospects of improving living standards and well-being in the areas surrounding Chilalo, the Company engaged specialists to conduct financial literacy training sessions with the local communities.

**Evolution's Managing Director, Phil Hoskins, commented:**

*"Completion of the cash compensation under the RAP is an important milestone as we progress our Chilalo Project towards development. We continue to work closely with our local communities on the implementation of the livelihood restoration program."*

*"We recognise that working together with our local host communities is a fundamental requirement for the successful development of Chilalo. Delivering the RAP in accordance with IFC standards goes well beyond minimum legislated requirements, which not only secures the best possible outcome for local communities, but also enhances Evolution's social license to operate and supports our efforts to obtain finance for the development of Chilalo."*

In addition to cash compensation, as part of the RAP, the Company committed to a five-year Livelihood Restoration Program (LRP). The LRP consists of several initiatives targeted at delivering sustainable benefits to the local communities, including conservation agriculture, tree nurseries, vegetable programs, youth skills training programs and the establishment of a livelihood restoration centre.

Progress continues to be made with several aspects of the LRP, including:

- Cashew trees are an important commercial crop in south-east Tanzania. Evolution has planted over 3,000 cashew seedlings to support community cashew farm projects, and to replace losses for planting that were not successful last season (Figure 1).
- Development of a commercial bee keeping enterprise for the local communities and a honey processing area has been implemented.
- Continued development of the tree nursery, not only for growing new cashew trees, but also to provide training for basic agriculture practices, rotational crops, vegetable gardening for personal subsistence and planting for nutrition, as well as indigenous species for our biodiversity corridor. Figure 2 shows example plots that can be farmed by each household to sustain enough vegetables for a family.
- Establishment of a demonstration plot for sesame farming, which is expected to support crop diversification over time (Figure 3).

To support these programs, a significant amount of training continues to be carried out with the local communities.

Under the RAP, all physically displaced (110 households) PAPs have elected to be relocated and 110 houses are to be built as part of the resettlement. The Company has identified a suitable location for establishing resettlement houses and is completing the Environment and Social Impact Assessment for the area.

The Company is in the process of tendering the contract to design resettlement housing however the construction of resettlement housing and the relocation of PAPs is scheduled to coincide with project construction funding.



**Figure 1. Cashew seedlings growing in the nursery before being planted in community farms**



**Figure 2. Example plots in the tree nursery**



**Figure 3. Demonstration plot**

This announcement has been approved for release by Evolution's Board of Directors.

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### Development ready

Chilalo Graphite Project in Tanzania



### Chilalo Project

High margin, low capex



### BTR strategic partnership

Transformational offtake, funding and downstream collaboration



### Battery suitability

Premium quality CSPG produced from fines



### Vertically integrated strategy

Accelerated and de-risked partnership model with proven technology

**Evolution's vision is to become a vertically integrated company that will only supply sustainably sourced graphite products and battery materials.**

This will be achieved by combining our unique graphite source with industry-leading technology partners, working closely with customers and producing diversified downstream products in both Tanzania and strategically located manufacturing hubs around the world. Evolution is committed to being global leaders in ESG and ensuring its operations support the push for decarbonisation and the global green economy.